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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

New York cotton market was wildly excited yesterday; a total of about one million bales sold. —— Gen. Buller announces the capture of the Boer's main position on the Tugela with slight loss to the British. —— The total number of British casualties in the war in South Africa so far are stated at 12,834. —— The bubonic plague has broken out on the island of Cozunel off the coast of Yucatan. —— The Porto Rican tariff bill passed the House of Representatives with an amendment to reduce the tariff from 25 to 15 per cent. of the American tariff and limiting its life to two years. —— Lumber laden schooner Ephraim and Anna is going to pieces at Cape Charles. ——Spanish steamer Minerva is at sea somewhere near Norfolk without coal. —— Jacob Furth, a New York drummer, shot and killed at Selma, Ala. —— N. Y. markets: Money on call steady; actual transactions ranging from 2@2½ per cent., the last loan being at 2½ per cent; cotton steady, middling uplands 9 5 16c; flour more active on spring patents at the decline, but quiet and about unchanged other wise; wheat—spot weak, No. 2 red 73½c; corn—spot easy, No. 2 42½c; oats —spot dull, No. 2 29c; rosin quiet; spirits turpentine quiet.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 28.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 30 degrees; 8 P. M., 58 degrees; maximum, 60 degrees; minimum, 28 degrees; mean, 44 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 2.69 inches.

STORM WARNING.

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 28, 10 P. M.—To Observer—Continue southeast storm signals. Southeast gales will shift to northwest Thursday, with a decided fall in temperature and rain or snow Thursday. Change to northwest signals at 8 A. M. Thursday.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—For North Carolina—Rain on the coast, rain or snow in the interior Thursday, followed by clearing and colder; southeasterly, shifting to northwesterly gales Friday fair.

Port Almanac---March 1.

Sun Rises	6.34 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.55 P. M.
Day's Length	11 H 22 M.
High Water at Southport.	7.58 P. M.
High Water, Wilmington.	10.28 P. M.

Last year in this country $115,000,000 worth of property went up in smoke, but several times that much went down in "fire water."

The Memphis *Commercial-Appeal* runs the fastest train in the world. It makes 145 miles in 143 minutes, just so the *C.-A.* may get there before the other papers.

Judge Caldwell, of Arkansas, whom the Populists talk of as a candidate for the Vice Presidency, totes more whiskers than statesman Peffer did in his most bewhiskered days.

Prof. Zetterlin, of Vienna, who has invented and built a $40,000 airship, is going to give his ship an airing over Europe next week preparatory to a scud across the Atlantic, which he says he will shortly make.

The war hasn't stopped gold mining in the Transvaal altogether. The output for January was $1,500,000. The Boers have $25,000,000 worth of bullion stored up in Pretoria, which they are coining as fast as they can.

If Janowski, the Russian chess player, who last week in Paris defeated sixty French chess players, playing sixty games simultaneously against them all, escapes the lunatic asylum he will be lucky. That's where most of the chess champions wind up and close the game.

The Durham *Sun* entered upon its 13th year last Tuesday and has been all this time one of the brightest and most interesting State papers. It has become one of the institutions of Durham, in the up building of which it has been no small factor. It deserves well at the hands of that community and we are glad to know that it is appreciated.

It is said that one of the secrets of Carnegie's success was his habit of recognizing talent and efficiency in his employes and rewarding it by giving them an interest in the business when that was practicable. As his associates became wealthy he, having a controlling interest, would retire them and take the younger and more active in.

That there is something in a name is illustrated in various ways. When John W. Bookwalter ran for Governor of Ohio in 1882 he lost about 30,000 German votes just because he didn't know that his paternal grandpa spelled his name Buckwalter, and he was accused of going back on his ancestral nationality by Americanizing his name.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. T. Kilpatrick, of Leon, arrived in the city last evening.

— E. M. Koonce, Esq., of Jacksonville, spent yesterday in the city.

— Mr. John Bullock, of Jacksonsonville, was on our streets yesterday.

— Mr. J R. Allsbrook, of Sanford, came down to the city last evening.

— Mr. L. C. Baker, of Durham, was among yesterday's arrivals in the city.

— Mr. T. S. Vines, a popular citizen of Southport, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. W. B. Murrill, of Jacksonville, made business calls in the city yesterday.

— Messrs. Joe and Will Cotton, of Tarboro, are in the city on a business visit.

— Mr. J. W. Ingold, of Fayetteville, was among last night's arrivals in the city.

— Mr. S. E. Memory, of Whiteville, called on our wholesale merchants yesterday.

— Dr. Geo. L. Clark, of Clarkton, N. C., was a welcome visitor in the city yesterday.

— Mr. W. D. Kilpatrick, of Cavanaugh, came down to the city on business last night.

— Mr. R. W. Vincent, of Raleigh, who is pleasantly remembered here, is in the city for a few days.

— Mrs. E. H. Jennings, of Fayetteville, is visiting in the city, the guest of Mrs. George Harriss.

— Mr. James H. Cowan left yesterday afternoon for a week's trip in advance of the Boston Star Concert Company, which he and Mr. S. A. Schloss will put on the road in a few weeks.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Democratic Primaries for New Hanover county, Thursday, March 22nd.

— Mr. John C. Daniel, a prominent citizen of Bladen county, is dead. He was nearly 72 years old.

— The annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce is called for this afternoon at 3.30 o'clock.

— Sixty-six arrests were made by the police in February, 21 of the offenders being white persons and 45 colored.

— On account of the lack of a quorum, there was no meeting of the Board of Health yesterday afternoon as appointed.

—During the month of February license has been granted for the marriage of seven white couples and eighteen colored couples.

— The Clyde steamships *Oneida* and *Saginaw* passed out at Southport at 9 o'clock yesterday morning, the first named for New York and the *Saginaw* for Georgetown, S. C.

— The Red Mens' hall over the Bee Hive store is being thoroughly overhauled and kalsomined on the interior preparatory to the meeting of the Grand Council of the State, which will be here in June. Mr. D. Hanna, the contractor, has charge of the kalsomining.

— The negro coal cart drivers who were arrested Tuesday afternoon by Policeman Bowen for fast driving at corner of Front and Market streets, were each fined $5 in the municipal court yesterday morning. A white sailor was let off with the costs for being drunk and down.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Samuel Bear, Sr.—For rent.
J. G. Wright & Son—For rent.
S. H. MacRae—Bankrupt notice.
D. L. Gore Co.—Fine seed potatoes.
Warren's Bakery—Fresh crackers.
Opera House, "The American Girl."

Justice Bornemann's Court.

Sam Kelley and Sophia Kelley, both colored, will be tried by Justice Bornemann at 10 o'clock this morning for assault and battery with a deadly weapon upon John Johnson, also colored. It is alleged that the woman had a letter belonging to Johnson and that when he demanded it of her she received him roughly and that Sam Kelley brandished a pistol in a threatening manner. The defendants will be represented by Marsden Bellamy, Esq., and the prosecution will be represented by Herbert McClammy, Esq.

The Burned School Books.

Capt. Ed Wilson Manning, county superintendent of public schools, yesterday made an appeal to the pupils of the Hemenway School for books for the school children in District No. 13, who had the misfortune to lose all of heirs in the fire which burned the school building Monday night, an account of which was published in the STAR yesterday morning. The same appeal will be made to day to the children of Union School, and it is unnecessary to say that a supply of books for all the children will be forthcoming.

Acceptance.

Without my solicitation or knowledge my name has been suggested for the nomination of Sheriff of New Hanover county at the approaching Democratic primaries, and I have consented to be a candidate for the position and to that end, I hereby ask the support of the Democratic voters of the county, promising, if elected, to faithfully and honestly discharge the duties of the position.

† 4t SAMUEL NORTHROP.

THE ELKS' BUILDING.

Articles of Incorporation for the "Elks' Company" Drawn Up Yesterday.

A HANDSOME $12,000 BUILDING

Plans Are Being Drafted by Architect McMillen—Application for Charter for the New Corporation Will Be Made To-day.

Yesterday the STAR made extended reference to the new "Elks Home" which Wilmington Lodge No. 537 proposes to erect in the near future on the southern half of the lot on North Front street next door north of the Seaboard Air Line building, and stated that all the first and second mortgage bonds to the amount of $12,000 had already been subscribed, and all that would prevent the breaking of ground in the next thirty days would be the matter of securing a charter. It was also stated that it was feared that the Clerk of the Superior Court could not issue a charter investing the corporation with power to issue bonds in which emergency the Legislature would have to be appealed to in June, thus delaying the work until Fall.

Notwithstanding these difficulties, the committee in charge is forging ahead with the preparations and it is a settled fact that the Elks will build.

William J. Bellamy, Esq., yesterday drew up the formal applicatiou for the charter and it will be passed upon by the committee in charge and be presented to the Clerk of the Superior Court very soon. The incorporators are H. J. Gerken, L. Stein, W. S. Johnson, W. A. French, Jr., Thos. H. Wright, J. E. Wallace, and Dr. A. H. Harriss. The name of the corporation will be the "Elk Company," and the purpose and object for which the corporation is organized is "to purchase land, erect and own a suitable building where the members of Wilmington, North Carolina, lodge B. P. O. E. may assemble, meet and conduct the business incident to said order" and "to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits, privileges and immunities incident to and given under the laws of the State to a corporation of such character." The period of the corporation is thirty years, beginning March 1st, 1900. The company asks to be authorized to borrow such sums of money from time to time as may be necessary for its purposes and for such loans to issue bonds bearing interest not exceeding six per cent. per annum; to sell, exchange or hypothecate such bonds on terms as it may deem advisable, and to secure the payment of the bonds and the interest thereon by deed of trust or mortgage, conveying its property, real and personal, and its franchises; provided, however, that the bonded indebtedness shall at no time exceed the sum of $50,000.

A further provision is that the corporation being strictly a fraternal, benevolent and social organization, it shall have no capital stock and all the income of said corporation, after paying its indebtedness and expenses, shall be used for the purpose of carrying out the objects for which it was formed and in further extending its usefulness. The business of the corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of seven members of the corporation, who shall be elected annually at the annual meetings to be held on the first Wednesday in March of each year. The officers of the corporation will consist of a President, Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer.

It is learned that plans for the new building are being prepared by Mr. Charles McMillen, the architect, and will be submitted to the building committee in a few days. As stated in the STAR of yesterday it will be a three-story building with basement. The lot fronts 33 feet and runs back 165 feet. The building will have a front of 33 feet and a length of 100 feet, giving a back yard of 65 by 33 feet. On the first floor there will be a handsome store room, and the second floor will bo fitted up with the Elks' club room and a ladies' parlor. The third floor will embrace the lodge rooms of the order.

With a Concert Company.

It is understood that Miss Norma Foster, who is at present at the Boston Conservatory of Music, will travel with the Boston Star Concert Company, which is being organized by Messrs. S. A. Schloss and James H. Cowan, of this city. Mr. Schloss wrote to the president of the conservatory asking for the recommendation of a violin performer and the name of Miss Foster was sent him. Her superior talents in this direction have already won for her distinction and if she decides to accept an engagement with the Concert Company, the organization is to be congratulated upon securing her services.

Excursion to Carolina Beach.

Between sixty and seventy-five persons, including a number of ladies, went down on the excursion to Carolina Beach on the steamer *Wilmington* yesterday morning, returning at 5 o'clock in the afternoon. A day was delightfully spent among the ruins by the curiosity seekers, and cottage owners looked over the situation and formulated plans for rebuilding.

For Constable,

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Constable of Wilmington township, subject to the will of the Democratic primaries, March 22nd.

† 1t G. W. MILLIS.

THE JAMES WALKER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

Citizens of Wilmington Profoundly Grateful to Mr. James Walker for His Liberal Beneficence.

The people of Wilmihgto nare possessed of a profound sense of gratefulness to Mr. James Walker for for his very liberal beneficence in donating a modern hospital to the city. Everywhere yesterday the philanthropy of Mr. Walker was praised and there were expressions of appreciation on all sides.

The proceedings of the meeting of physicians and citizens at Mr. Walker's office on Tuesday, at which they adopted resolutions guaranteeing him that the hospital would be amply maintained, were fully endorsed and commended.

Mr. Walker's liberal proposition to build a hospital at a cost of $25,000 to $30,000, with only the proviso that it shall be kept up in a suitable manner, impresses our citizens with Wilmington's good fortune and entitles the philanthropic gentleman to the lasting gratitude of all our people. Not many cities have had such good luck.

A hospital such as Mr. Walker will erect will add greatly to Wilmington's prestige. It will be modern and up to date in all its appointments. The building will not cost the city a cent, as Mr. Walker, who is himself a practical and experienced builder, will construct it and turn over the keys when the job is finished.

The STAR voices the sentiments of the entire community, men, women and children—and even posterity—in thanking Mr. Walker and acknowledging his generous beneficence. It will be a memorial of him that will go down through the ages.

ORDER OF CHOSEN FRIENDS.

Will Royally Receive Their Supreme Councillor, Who Will Arrive in the City This Afternoon.

Arrangements are complete for the reception to be tendered this evening by Wilmington Council No. 9, Order of Chosen Friends, in honor of their Supreme Councillor, Mr. H. H. Morse, of New York, who will arrive in the city from Charleston this afternoon on the W., C. & A. train at 1.15 o'clock to make an official visitation to the lodge here.

The reception will be given in MacRae hall near the Masonic Temple, and the entertainment given will be in every way worthy of the coming of the distinguished gentleman. He will be accompanied by Provisional Grand Councillor H. Witcover, of Marion, S. C., and on to-morrow the Supreme Councillor and the Provisional Councillor will be entertained by a drive to the Sound and an oyster roast after arriving there.

The reception and other committees are especially active in their preparations and no stone will be left unturned to give the guests of Wilmington Council a royal time while in the city.

LARGEST SAILING VESSEL.

Discussion Among Shipping Men as to One of Largest Tonnage.

There has been quite a little discussion along the wharves for the past several days over the question of the largest sailing vessel that ever visited this port, the discussion having been evoked by a paragraph in the STAR several days ago, in which it was stated that the barque *Francis S. Hampshire*, 992 tons, Capt. Van Horn, which is bound for this port, would be probably the largest that ever came here.

Later, a reporter was reminded by Mr. W. N. Harriss that the British ship *Etta*, of 1,154 tons, was the largest that ever entered this port and an insight to the very comprehensive shipping records kept by Col. Jno. L. Cantwell, secretary of the Produce Exchange, yesterday afternoon verified this statement beyond a doubt.

The ship *Etta* arrived at Wilmington January 18th, 1888, to Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son and was loaded with 4,020 bales of cotton by them for Liverpool. The schooner *Wm. M. Bird*, for whom some contended as entitled to first place, was of only 768 tons register and made her last trip here September 7th, 1898, with a cargo of molasses for Mr. R. W. Hicks from New Orleans, clearing a few days later in ballast for Port Royal.

The matter, therefore, probably is settled without a doubt in favor of the *Etta*. Among the other large sailing vessels that have visited this port may be mentioned the *Talofa*, 1,139 tons; *Jno. W. Linnell*, 945 tons; *Chauncey E. Burke*, 871 tons; *Jacob S. Winslow*, 824 tons, and the barques *Mersey*, 960 tons, and the *Lizzie Wright*, 913 tons.

Weather in March.

Data compiled from the Weather Bureau statistics at Wilmington covering a period of twenty-nine years, shows that the mean or normal temperature for the month of March is 54 degrees; the average date on which the last "killing" frost in Spring occurred is March 30th. The lowest temperature recorded in this month was 20 degrees on the 5th, 1873; there was slight snowfall on the 8th, 1890.

FOR SHERIFF,

FRANK H. STEDMAN.

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RUMORS OF LYNCHING CAUSED EXCITEMENT.

Party Said to Be After Negro Woman Who Roughly Treated White Lady of Wilmington.

There was considerable excitement in the city yesterday afternoon over a report that a party of white men from Wilmington had gone to Wrightsville Sound for the purpose of lynching a colored woman named Mandy Hill, who while a servant at the home of a white lady residing on Market street, in the heat of passion Monday morning is reported to have slapped her and otherwise roughly treated her without provocation, even going so far as to prevent by physical force the white lady from telephoning to some of the male members of the family, until the negro could make her escape.

Sheriff MacRae got news of the supposed attempt and in company with Mr. M. F. H. Gouverneur, Constable Wm. Sheehan and Deputy Sheriff W. W. King, went down to the sound to arrest the woman if she could be found and if possible to prevent any untoward act by the crowd which was reported to have left Wilmington for the purpose named. A thorough search for the woman was made, but no trace of her could be found or of the reported lynching party. Sheriff MacRae and the gentlemen named, therefore, returned at night. Since he returned, reports reached the city that the woman was lynched, but these are very ill founded, as it is believed that the woman left the city by rail soon after the occurrence. Certain it is, that her household belongings were shipped from the city on Tuesday. It is almost absolutely certain that no lynching took place and it is almost equally as certain that no attempt was made at lynching, but the Sheriff took no risks and went to the Sound to investigate the rumors as stated.

WARD & VOKES TO-NIGHT.

With Their Company They Will Arrive by Special Train This Morning from Norfolk, Va.

The celebrated comedy pair, "Ward and Vokes"—Percy and Harold—supported by Margaret Daly-Vokes, and Lucy Daly and their big farce comedy company numbering forty people, including a number of dainty girls, presenting the greatest comedy success of the season—"The Floor Walkers"—will arrive in Wilmington on a special train this morning, and hold forth in fun at the Opera House to-night.

Of the production in Richmond the *State* of Tuesday says:

"The Floor Walkers," with Ward and Vokes, Lucy and Margaret Daly and a big farce comedy company, including a number of dainty girls, was a complete success in every way at the Academy last night.

Ward and Vokes are a whole show in themselves in their unique "Percy and Harold" act, and the Daly girls are as dainty and clever as ever, while Will West, a close second, or third, to Ward and Vokes, is full of funny doings and sayings. The female contingent is numerous and as handsome as nature, paint and powder can make them. There is not a disappointment in the show.

THE AMERICAN GIRL.

At the Opera House Saturday—Matinee and Night.

"The American Girl," which opens an engagement at the Opera House Saturday (matinee and night) is an exceptionally bright comedy drama in four acts, written by H. Grattan Donnelly. It is a tale of two continents and appeals especially to women and children. George F. Hall enacts the part of Ross Bolter, an American hustler, and it is said that he gives a highly amusing performance. His imitations of prominent actors make a decided hit. The feature of the play, however, is the acting of the two winsome little girls, Lillie Lawson and Gracie Hickey. Frankie St John is also a favorite. The specialties, including songs and dances, are excellent. The piece always meets with popular favor and the management announces that it is deserving of large patronage. Seats on sale to-morrow morning.

Death of Mrs. Christoffersen.

The numerous friends of Mr. Harry Christoffersen, custodian of the Seaman's Home, will sympathize with him in the death of his wife, Mrs. Mary Anna Christoffersen, which occurred yesterday morning at 3 o'clock after a lingering illness with dropsy. She is survived besides her husband by a brother, Mr. J. C. Smith, and two children, a son aged eleven years and an infant daughter. Services were held at the Home yesterday by Rev. A. G. Voigt, D. D., pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, and the remains were taken to Southport on the steamer *Wilmington* yesterday afternoon for interment this morning at 10 o'clock. The services at the grave will be conducted by Rev. J. D. Edwards, pastor of the Southport Baptist Church.

Peanuts Advancing.

A telegram from Norfolk, Va., says: The peanut market to-day is feverish. Active demand from all sections is speedily exhausting the supply, the crop having been only an average one. A marked bull tendency is apparent, and Spanish nuts have jumped from 70 to 90 cents a bushel.

Register of Deeds.

Certain reports will be circulated against L. Tate Bowden, but be sure to investigate them thoroughly. He will be a strong candidate, and is thoroughly deserving. He asks no sympathy on account of his affliction, but is deserving and competent to fill the position that he seeks. No voter will ever regret casting his ballot for him.

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COTTON FACTORIES.

The South Has Room for Mills Until They Can Consume the Entire Crop.

THE RESOURCES LIMITLESS.

A Practical Northern Man Says There is Room in Wilmington for Twenty-five Factories at Least—Much Impressed With the City.

The rapid development of cotton manufacturing in the South is attracting widespread attention in the North and yesterday a gentleman from Boston stated that Northern capital is fairly pouring into the South now, seeking investment in the new mills when stock cannot be had in the mills already established. Capitalists are ready to put money into all the mill projects that are started in the South under control of the proper parties. It is estimated that this year $5,000,000 of money from the New England and Middle States has been invested in Southern enterprises. A large amount of this money is coming into North Carolina, and some of it will be interested in the several companies which have projects on hand for developing the great waterpowers in the Western part of the State. A lot of it is also going into cotton mills.

"Is there any danger that mill building will be overdone in the South?" was asked by a STAR representative.

"Why, the resources of the South for mill building are almost limitless," he replied. "There will be room in the South for mills until the factories are so plentiful that they will consume all the cotton crop. There will be room for cotton mills as long as the staple is exported in such large quantities. My opinion is that the day is coming when the South will manufacture practically its entire cotton crop, and export the manufactured article instead of the raw material. The plan of 'bringing the mills to the cotton' is no longer a theory but is as inevitable as that night follows day. Judging from the cotton receipts in Wilmington, there is ample room in your city for twenty five cotton mills at least. Mills of the larger order are the enterprises that are recognized to be the most practical now. When you put any more mill projects on foot, I have no doubt if you will let it be known in the money centres in the North, you will find capital ready to go up along side of yours. No, your mill building in the South, and especially on the Atlantic seaboard, is really in its incipiency. Your people need not be one-ideaed about manufacturing, either. There are great possibilities in the way of making up your goods after they have been manufactured. The advantages of the South are also immense in this particular. In the North we manufacture your cotton into various lines of clothing and we are shipping you hats by the million that are made from your cotton. What have you got on that was made in the South? Why can't a large portion of your clothing be made up here? Well, there are many other industries that your enterprising men might look into besides cotton mill building, but certainly you have a cinch on cotton manufacturing."

The railroad and water transportation facilities and the climate of Wilmington very favorably impressed the Boston man, and he thinks there is a great future in store for this city. The country is capable, from an agricultural point of view, of supporting an immense population, and there is no reason why Wilmington should not be a large city some day and one of the greatest manufacturing cities in the manufacturing South.

It is about time now for the enterprising men of Wilmington to launch another cotton mill enterprise. Who will take the initiative?

Minstrel Performance.

A movement, which has every augury of success, is on foot by a number of the members of Wilmington Division Naval Reserves to give a first class minstrel performance in the Opera House on Friday night, April 5th, for the benefit of the Athletic Association of the Reserves. The music and other matter necessary has been ordered and the first meeting for rehearsal will be held to-morrow evening. The cast presenting the minstrel will be composed of about thirty of the Naval Reserves, and an effort is being made to secure the services of Mr. Chas. A. Clayton, the "strong man" with Dr. Blue Mountain Joe's show.

Just here it will be learned with pleasure by the local athletes that the Naval Reserves are going to put out a strong base ball team for the coming season, and some good games are anticipated.

Cotton at Nine Cents.

There were sales of cotton on the Wilmington market yesterday at nine cents for middling, the highest price recorded at the exchange for years. For the past five days receipts have been very light, falling short of last year's daily receipts in many instances.

A Card.

I would be inhuman if I were unmindful of the very kind expressions about me, both in person and in print, in the last few days. Emanating from so many of my friends, it causes me to welcome them with the deepest gratitude, and to consent to their using my name as a candidate for Treasurer of New Hanover county. Should my fellow citizens deem me worthy and elect me, I trust none will have cause to regret it.

† 4t JAMES I. METTS.

THE PEREGOY MILL.

It Will Be Started Up in Thirty Days by the Angola Lumber Company Which Has Purchased the Plant.

The Angola Lumber Company, of Norfolk, Va., which recently closed the deal for the saw mill of the Peregory Lumber Company, has a force of hands at work cleaning up the plant and putting the machinery in order. The work is being done under the supervision of Mr. W. T. Sears, the company's general manager, and yesterday he told a STAR representative that he expected to start the mill in thirty days.

The mill has a capacity for cutting 40,000 feet of lumber per day, and included in the plant there is a well equipped planing mill and extensive dry kilns. The establishment will give employment to forty or fifty hands.

It will be remembered, as here tofore mentioned by the STAR, that the Angola Lumber Company, has purchased large areas of timber lands in the State. They have bought or control nearly 100,000 acres of land in Pender, Onslow, Bladen, Sampson and other counties in Eastern North Carolina.

A Big Blow.

The stormy weather of yesterday culminated in a big blow about 1.30 o'clock this morning, the wind coming from the eastward, and playing havoc for a short time with tin roofs, awnings, window-blinds, signs and other light structures along the streets. The show-case in front of the entrance to Taylor's photograph gallery on Princess street was blown down and smashed, and other slight damage probably resulted from the high wind.

"A Coffee Party."

An enjoyable time was spent by a large number of young people yesterday afternoon and evening at the residence of Mrs. Glameyer, No. 610 Chestnut street, the occasion being a "coffee party" for the benefit of the fence fund of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church. A neat sum was realized from the benefit.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

DISSOLUTION.

The co-partnership relations heretofore existing between Luther J. Riggin and John W. Pruitt, under the name and style of Riggin & Pruitt, for the purpose of conducting the oyster packing business, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. LUTHER J. RIGGIN, JOHN W. PRUITT.

Crisfield, Md., February 20th, 1900.
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On and after March 1st, the train on the Wilmington Seacoast Railroad leaving Wilmington at 2.30 P. M., and returning at 5 P. M., will run over to the beach as far as the road is completed.

feb 27 3t R. O. GRANT, Supt.

IT IS A MISTAKE

As stated in yesterday's "Messenger," that there are no Business Houses FOR RENT One of the most desirable stores in the city now occupied by Fishblate Clothing Company will be vacant from Oct. 1st.

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Crackers, Crackers, Crackers.

NO MORE USE IN ASKING IF CRACKERS ARE FRESH. WE BAKE THEM EVERY DAY.

Warren's Steam Bakery and Cafe, Opposite Masonic Temple.

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OPERA HOUSE

Thursday, March 1.

E. D. STAIR PRESENTS THOSE SURE COMEDIANS,

WARD and VOKES As The FLOOR WALKERS.

40 People 40

The largest, the most expensively dressed and richly staged production of Musical Farce Comedy in the history of theatricals.

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OPERA HOUSE.

Saturday Matinee and Night.

A Play of Heart Interest, Pure Comedy and Brisk Americanism,

"THE AMERICAN GIRL,"

Introducing the Comedian, Mr. GEO. F. HALL.

By H. GRATTON DONNELLY.

Author of "Darkest Russia" With Two Rays of Brightness, the american Twins, "Prince Roy and The Little Lady."

Matinee Prices, 15, 25 and 50c.

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Fine Seed Potatoes.

40 bags and bbls Houlton Early Rose.
50 bags and bbls Maine Early Rose.
50 bags Early Ohios.
50 bags Early Rose.
Also, a few White Bliss and Pearless Potatoes.

All the above nice selected Seed Potatoes.

Full Line Groceries.

D. L. GORE CO., WHOLESALE GROCERS, Wilmington, N. C.

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FOR RENT.

STORE NO. 12 MARKET STREET,

Formerly occupied by me. Immediate possession given.

Also, a Ten-barrel Turpentine Still complete, in good order, for sale cheap.

SAMUEL BEAR, Sr., 12 Market street, Wilmington, N. C.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED States for the Eastern District of North Carolina. In the matter of Eddie A. Farrior, Bankrupt. In Bankruptcy. To the creditors of Eddie A. Farrior, of Kenansville, in the county of Duplin, and district aforesaid, a bankrupt: Notice is hereby given that on the 26th day of February, A. D. 1900, the said Eddie A. Farrior, was duly adjudicated bankrupt; and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at the office of the undersigned referee in bankruptcy in Fayetteville, on the 9th day of March, A. D. 1900, at five thirty o'clock in the afternoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt and transact such other business as may properly come before the said meeting. Dated at Fayetteville, N. C., February 26th, 1900. A. B. HALL, Referee in Bankruptcy.

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MOON'S PHASES.

New Moon	1	6:25 a. m.	Full Moon	16	3:12 a. m.
First Quarter	8	0:34 a. m.	Third Quarter	24	0:36 a. m.
			New Moon	30	3:30 p. m.

The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 1.

TEXTILE SCHOOLS A NECESSITY

Several days ago we published an article based on an interview with Prof. Beaty, of the Clemson textile school in South Carolina, in which he went on to show the value of the textile school in training young men to take charge of cotton mills. A few days ago we published another article on the progress of cotton mill building in the South, based on an exhibit published in the Baltimore *Manufacturers' Record*. This exhibit emphasizes the language of Prof. Beaty in advocacy of the textile school, for it shows the growing and continuously growing demand for skilled labor, which will be even greater in the future than in the past. The indications are that the mills will increase more rapidly than the available labor will, and the result will be that much if not most of this labor must be trained in the mills, as it was when our mills were first started, or be imported. How the textile school helps not only the young men who want to equip themselves for that business, but also help the mills is thus stated by Prof. Beaty. In speaking about the preference the mills would give young men who had the advantage of textile training, he says:

"There are many capable young men employed in the mills who are anxious to learn the business, thus putting themselves in line of promotion to responsible positions commanding high compensation. In the mills they are instructed in the practical operation of the machinery only, and do not receive that auxiliary technical training in the other details of manufacturing which is so necessary to their success as overseers, superintendents or managers.

"No textile school is so well equipped for practical instruction as the mill, and the best instructors to be had are the competent managers, whose whole time is taken up with with the detailed management of such plants. But these mills are not operated for instruction purposes; neither have these managers the time to devote to the instruction of young men who may chance to come under their observation. And in many cases the young man in the mill has not had that previous technical foundation upon which to specialize in industry, therefore he will likely be narrow in his education, lacking in originality of methods and his taste for the aesthetic would be undeveloped. It takes the man entering the mill years to get the same experience on the variety of makes of machines and the variety of products that the student gets in the textile school in two years. Thus the absolute necessity has arisen for the establishment of such schools as will give these persons that special training of which they stand in need."

The advantage the young man enjoys who has gone through a course in one of those schools might be compared to the advantage of a course in college to a young man studying for one of the professions. In both cases they are simply laying the foundation on which to build. In these schools they learn not only how to do things but the reason for doing them, learn how to use their brains as well as their hands, and to work as originators and not merely as imitators or machines.

Our mills, even at the present rate of increase, cannot be dependent upon ordinary labor when they enter into active competition with the mills of the world, as they will have to do when they enter the contest for foreign markets, for their success in that will depend largely upon the excellence of the work they turn out, the originality and attractivess of the designs, and the cleverness with which they are executed, as well as upon the cheapness of the goods put upon these markets. Skilled labor will be essential to excellence of fabric, and no small factor in its cheapness. Of course the work in the mills is machine work, but however perfect the machine may be or whatever its capacity it will respond better to intelligent guidance than it will to the dullard who follows it in machine-like fashion himself without using any more brains or having any more ideas than the machine he stands over.

This is strikingly illustrated in the success of the German manufactories, which although yet in comparative infancy have attained a world-wide reputation, a reputation that sells German goods even in the markets of countries with whose manufacturers they must compete. It was the manual training schools that gave Germany, which a couple decades ago was almost exclusively an agricultural country, in this respect much resembling the South, but which through the instrumentality of her manual training schools has developed into a leading manufacturing country. The progress in this has been rapid and remarkable because the Government did not leave it to the manufacturers alone, but took an active interest in these training schools, helped them along, and saw that they were numerously established, numerous enough to supply the industrial plants with intelligent labor enough to take charge of the work assigned to them and become trainers of the other workers employed in the industrial plants, so that each plant became to some extent a training school.

In this Germany furnishes an object lesson to every Southern State which aspires to become a manufacturing State, and there isn't one of them that should not be. There is a wide field outside of cotton manufacturing, for with our forests and mines of iron and coal and copper there are the materials in abundance to build up practically unlimited industries both within and outside of the cotton-growing States. But with the start that cotton manufacturing has had that, of course, will hold the lead, and attract the most attention and the most capital for some time to come, and will give employment to as much skilled labor as can be furnished, and in an avocation, too, where the demand will continue to be greater and the compensation better.

While cotton manufacturing will increase in all the Southern States, North Carolina, South Canolina and Georgia, which now have the lead will always hold it, not simply because they have the lead but because their topographical situation gives them decided advantages and particularly adopts them to the industry. In the hundreds of streams that roll from the mountains to the sea they have unlimited power that makes supremacy in this industry a comparatively easy matter with them, leaving out of the count any other advantage they might possess. For this reason these three States should foster textile schools, not only that they may supply their own mills which are constantly increasing in number and in capacity, with a sufficiency of skilled labor, but that they may be able to supply other States with skilled trainers of the labor they will need.

As we see it the textile school is a facter of inestimable importance in the future of Southern textile industries and for that reason should be encouraged and fostered.

INTEREST IN SHEEP CULTURE.

The Charlotte *Observer* a few days ago contained a dispatch from Morganton stating that a contract had been closed with some New York men for 50,000 acres of land in Burke county, which is intended for a sheep ranch, and that negotiations were pending with a number of Canadians for other tracts which are to be used as sheep ranges. The inference is that these parties propose to engage in this business on a large scale, large enough to justify the employment of men enough to protect the flocks from dogs and wild animals that might otherwise prove a serious obstacle to profit in the industry.

These announcements are interesting because they show that the advantages this State presents as a sheep-growing State are beginning to attract attention outside of the State, and of men who presumably know something about how that business should be conducted.

In an article on Piedmont North Carolina some time ago Mr. Edward Atkinson, of Boston, an excellent authority on industrial subjects, commented upon the exceptional advantages it offers for sheep culture and stated the fact that North Carolina grown wool had, in competition with the world, taken two premiums at World's Fairs. Another fact he stated was that on the high grounds of the Piedmont section sheep are not as liable to foot-rot and other diseases that sometimes prove very destructive, while the abundance of clear, pure water in the mountain streams is an advantage of inestimable value. And with all this the flocks are protected by the hills and forests from sweeping winds in the winter, and by the forest foliage from the sun's rays in the Summer.

All this being so, and being well known to so many of our own farmers, the remarkable thing is that sheep culture has not been more extensively entered upon. But then there is the dog, the numerous, omnipresent, ravenous, sheep-killing dog, which discounted all these advantages and deterred people, who otherwise would, from engaging largely in that industry.

A Thousand Tongues.

Could not express the rapture of Annie E. Springer, of 1125 Howard St., Philadelphia, Pa., when she found that Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption had completely cured her of a hacking cough that for many years had made life a burden. All other remedies and doctors could give her no help, but she says of this Royal Cure—"it soon removed the pain in my chest and I can now sleep soundly, something I can scarcely remember doing before. I feel like sounding its praise throughout the Universe. So will every one who tries Dr King's New Discovery for any trouble of the Throat, Chest or Lungs. Price 50c. and $1.00. Trial bottle 10c. at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store; every bottle guaranteed. †

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NOW FOR MEDIATION.

The expected happened when Gen. Cronje surrendered after his valorous fighting against overwhelming numbers that has covered him and his little army with imperishable glory. Hemmed in on all sides, with a cordon of men and guns all around him, tightening every day, and at last drawn so close that the muzzles of the British guns looked right into his entrenchments, there was nothing else for him to do but surrender or see his devoted little army, with the women and children they had with them, slaughtered. As common sense and humanity dictated he chose the former.

While it is a victory of much import to the British, it is one over which there is no cause for boasting. They may well feel joyful, but should not be inflated with this success, which is but the beginning of more desperate battling if the war goes on, which it will unless tenders of mediation be made and accepted. There are still, it is estimated, between fifty and sixty thousand Boers in active service, which number may be largely increased if driven to extremities. The stubborn fighting and tenacity with which Cronje contested ground in opposing the advance of the British forces on Bloemfontein gave the Boer commanders time to mass troops to oppose the march of Roberts. They have thrown up formidable entrenchments, and have strengthened Bloemfontein very much, so that Gen. Roberts will have hard fighting to do before he reaches the capital of the Orange Free State.

But when that has been taken, as it probably will be, then Pretoria remains, and from all accounts that, in addition to being in a rugged country which increases the difficulty of approach and attack, is most formidably fortified and supplied with provisions to enable it to stand a very protracted siege. Cool heads in England are not carried away by the capture of General Cronje and his little army, and being reasonably well aware of the Boers' powers of resistance are now, that British armies have won a victory, in favor of ending the war if a way can be found to do it. British pride prevented them from saying so while they were smarting under defeat after defeat, but now they feel that they can say so, and at the same time, perhaps, claim credit for magnanimity.

Here is President McKinley's opportunity, and one which both from a humanitarian and a political point of view he should avail himself of. If there has been doubt that offers of mediation could have been made with propriety heretofore there is no doubt now, for Great Britain is in a position to listen to and accept such tender without any appearance of succumbing to obstacles, or of showing timidity in the face of a stubborn and valorous foe. And there is a little doubt that such an offer made by a friendly nation would be accepted.

This is on the assumption, of course, that the Government of Great Britain is proceeding honestly in this war, and that the ultimate object is not to overthrow the republics and put them under the British flag. Whether accepted or not, a tender of mediation would be creditable to this country, although it might be somewhat embarrassing to the administration in view of our "war of aggression" in the Philippines.

BOOK NOTICES.

The March number of *The Eclectic Magazine* presents a fine list of articles from the leading European periodicals, a list that the intelligent reader will enjoy. Address the Living Age Company, Boston.

In the January number of *The North Carolina University Magazine* the story of John Lucas is continued, with interesting sketches of Giles Mebane and Thos. H. Benton, with other interesting matter. Address University Magazine, Chapel Hill, N. C.

McClure's Magazine for March presents a varied and interesting list of contents, embracing Wellman's narrative of Arctic exploration, and the story of the building of the Klondike railroad. These are but two of a number of very interesting articles, all finely illustrated. Published by The S. S. McClure Co., 141-155 East 25th street, New York.

Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three Physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying "Electric Bitters;" and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim," No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents, guaranteed, at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store, †

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Winston *Sentinel*: J. T. Wyatt, of Faith, N. C., had the picture of his curiosity chicken taken in Salisbury Friday. The fowl is white on one side and black on the other, and the only one in the world so far as known.

Winston *Journal*: Mr. A. Grogan an old citizen of Salem, aged 82, was found dead in bed Monday morning about four o'clock. He had been in fairly good health and his sudden demise was probably due to apoplexy.

— Newbern *Journal*: At Thurman, on Sunday morning early, Frank Henderson, a white man, took a dose of strychine, and died from its effects a few hours afterwards. He had been drinking heavily the day before, which is supposed to have affected his mind.

— Asheboro *Courier*: S.E. Coble, of Providence township, recently killed a beef weighing 1,200 pounds net. —— The Randleman Hosiery Mills are crowded with orders for their excellent goods. The young ladies who work in this mill belong to the best families, and are said to be experts in their line of work.

— Gastonia *Gazette*: Mr. R. B. Babington talked from his office to a party in Peoria, Ill., a few days ago. The distance is 1 100 miles. The conversation was direct through Atlanta, Cincinnati and Chicago. Mr. Babington says that he could recognize the gentleman's voice as soon as he spoke and it was as plain as if he had been talking to Dallas or any other neighboring town. He says that there is only one objection to long talk, i. e, the cost. For a three-minutes conversation he paid $16 25.

— Greenville *Reflector*: Mr. Buck Cox, of Contentnea township, met with a horrible death last Friday. He went to Grimesland to do some trading on a cart so he could haul a barrel of flour back. Late in the afternoon he started home, and while on the way his horse took fright and run away. Everything was thrown out of the cart, and people living along the road seeing the horse run with the empty broken cart, went back to investigate. They found Mr. Cox dead in the road. His neck was broken and his head badly bruised and mangled, he being so bloody as to be almost unrecognizable. His condition indicated that in falling from the cart his head caught in the wheel.

—Clarkton *Express*: Mr. Lot Memory, who lives a few miles from this place in Columbus county, died very suddenly on Sunday afternoon. He was about two miles from home near Mr. Shade Wooten's. There was a small crowd collected at a tent occupied by a band of gypsies near Wooten's old store site. He complained of a servere pain in his breast not more than a half hour before he died. The trouble moved in the direction of his heart, which it soon paralized and stilled in death. —— The crosstie and milling business bides fair to cripple seriously the farming interests in this section. Every fellow that can chop with an axe has gone into the woods, and farmers are hard put to get laborers and tenants. We heard one of our best farmers say a few days ago that it began to look serious That he had bargained for his fertilizer and made arrangement for his cropping and was unable to secure labor at prices that promised any remuneration.

— Greensboro *Record*: Mrs. Wharton, wife of David Wharton, died at the residence of W. P. Wharton, with whom she and her husband resided, Tuesday morning. Her husband who is over 90, survives her, though he has been feeble for some time. —— Late in the afternoon when Superior Court does not want to go into a long case just before adjournment, a divorce case is found to fill up the time. Tuesday afternoon a "job lot" was put-up and disposed of, three cases being tried and a divorce granted inside of half an hour, while a fourth was heard and given to the jury to answer one issue about which there was a dispute. And still another was on tap, but went over until this morning. —— A cutting affay occurred in the eastern part of town this afternoon in which Ike Dean will likely die. It is given out that he can not live until night. The facts are hard to get, but the best information is that Mary Johnson did the work, stabbing Dean under the nipple, near the heart. The woman claims that Dean and another man were beating her, having her down and that she cut in self defence.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— It is said that the refunding scheme which adorns the new financial bill is a pet of Senator Aldrich's as is the superfluous section about international bimetallism. Mr. Aldrich has some queer pets.—*Norfolk Landmark, Dem.*

— The Ohio State Journal says: "It is quite eviedent that Bryan is losing his hold on the South." Will the State Journal kindly publish a diagram and be a little more specific concerning the exact points in the South where Bryan is losing his hold. We haven't heard about it in this section.—*Augusta Chronicle, Dem.*

—— The Republican members of the House have been startled by the storm of protests against the proposition that the tobacco and sugar interest should be allowed to tax the Puerto Ricans. They will be equally frightened when they hear the protest of the people against this scheme to take money out of the Treasury and put it in the pockets of a few shipowners and shipbuilders. Since the Republican party blundered into ratifying the treaty of Paris it has developed a capacity for making mistakes which is simply marvelous, The Puerto Rica Tariff bill and the shipping subsidy scheme are exhibitions of phenomenal political folly.—*Baltimore Sun, Dem.*

TWINKLINGS.

— Dealer—"Don't your shoes fit, madam?" Madam—"Oh, yes, they fit me perfectly; but they hurt awfully when I try to walk."—*Chicago Record.*

— Dudeleigh—"It may be the latest style and all that, but, ah, I don't think it quite suits my head." Hatter—"Ah! Let me show you some of these soft hats."—*Chicago News.*

— "War is a terrible thing," said the philanthropist. "It is," answered the Filipino. "That last retreat of ours was almost as bad as a six days' bicycle race."—*Washington Star.*

— "It's too bad," said the condoling friend. "I thought you were in line of promotion." "No," mournfully replied the man who had lost his job. "I was right in the firing line."—*Chicago Tribune.*

— "Do you work for the poor?" asked the philanthropist. "Oh, yes, indeed; indefatigably," replied the society bud with enthusiasm. "Why, I make it a point to go to every charity ball that is given."—*Chicago Post.*

— Kippax—"And who is your favorite author, Mrs. Softly?" Mrs. Softly—"My husband." Kippax—"Pardon me, I did not know that he wrote." Mrs. Softly—"Oh, but he does; and so nicely—checks!"—*Life.*

A MODERN FABLE.

The Story of the Elephant Who Was Very Ignorant.

Once there was an elephant that tired of life in the jungle, so he decided to join a circus at the first opportunity. Shortly after making up his mind on this point he was strolling through the forest, cursing the flies high and low, when he came upon the agent of a great American circus who was engaging African talent for the following season. Although the agent saw him coming, he paid no attention to the discontented elephant, who naturally felt slighted.

"Hello!" he trumpeted. "Wouldn't you like to have me grace your circus?"

"Oh, I don't know!" carelessly replied the agent. "What stunts can you do?"

"What can I do?" asked the surprised elephant.

"Well, you're a bright one, you are," sarcastically replied the agent. "Can you balance yourself on the tip of your trunk, or turn a back somersault, or play the intermezzo from 'Cavalleria Rusticana' on a slide trombone, or do a high dive into three feet of water, or conduct an orchestra?"

The poor, bewildered elephant meekly acknowledged his inability to perform any of the feats mentioned.

"I thought so," remarked the circus man. "Now, if you'll attend a dramatic school for five or six years and study hard about 16 hours a day I'll make you an offer that'll"— But with a loud roar of despair the stagestruck animal took to the woods.

Moral.—The professions are overcrowded.—Brooklyn Life.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—30 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 18 barrels tar.

W. C. & A. Railroad—180 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 30 barrels rosin, 136 barrels tar, 8 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—53 bales cotton, 23 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—5 bales cotton, 2 barrels rosin.

C. C. Railroad—1 bale cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 72 barrels tar.

Steamer A. J. Johnson—100 barrels rosin, 122 barrels tar.

Schr. Minnie Ward—1 bale cotton, 135 barrels tar.

Total—Cotton, 270 bales; spirits turpentine, 9 casks; rosin, 132 barrels; tar, 506 barrels; crude turpentine, 8 barrels

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted.

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

BAGGING—		
2 ℔ Jute	6½@	7
Standard	7@	7½
Burlaps	6@	6½
WESTERN SMOKED—		
Hams ℔ ℔	12½@	15
Sides ℔ ℔	@	8
Shoulders ℔ ℔	@	8
DRY SALTED—		
Sides ℔ ℔	6½@	6¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔	@	6
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—		
Second-hand, each	@	1 40
New New York, each	1 40@	1 50
New City, each	1 40@	1 50
BEESWAX ℔ ℔	@	24
BRICKS—		
Wilmington ℔ M	6 75@	7 00
Northern	9 00@	14 00
BUTTER—		
North Carolina ℔ ℔	18@	20
Northern	22@	23½
CORN MEAL—		
Per bushel, in sacks	49@	50
Virginia Meal	49@	50
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	1 25@	1 35
CANDLES—℔ ℔		
Sperm	18@	25
Adamantine	8@	11
CHEESE—℔ ℔		
Northern Factory	12@	13
Dairy Cream	12½@	14
State	11½@	13
COFFEE—℔ ℔		
Laguyra	13@	16
Rio	9½@	11
DOMESTICS—		
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard	@	5¾
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 lbs	@	70
EGGS—℔ dozen	10@	11
FISH—		
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl	11 00@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl	8 00@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 75@	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	@	3 50
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5@	10
Extra	4 25@	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—		
Low grade	@	3 00
Choice	@	3 50
Straight	3 85@	4 00
First Patent	4 25@	4 50
GLUE—℔ ℔	10½@	11½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—		
Corn, from store, bgs—White	@	53½
Car-load, in bgs—White	51½@	52
Oats, from store	38@	40
Oats, Rust Proof	@	45
Cow Peas	80@	90
HIDES—℔ ℔—		
Green salted	@	6½
Dry flint	10@	12½
Dry salt	@	10
HAY ℔ 100 lbs		
Clover Hay	75@	80
Rice Straw	40@	50
Eastern	90@	1 00
Western	80@	1 00
North River	90@	95
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	3½@	3½
LARD, ℔ ℔—		
Northern	7@	8½
North Carolina	8@	10
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15@	1 35
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—		
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00@	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00@	15 00
Common mill	5 00@	6 50
Fair mill	6 50@	8 00
Prime mill	8 50@	10 00
Extra mill	10 00@	19 50
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—		
Barbadoes, in hogshead	@	26
Barbadoes, in barrels	@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	28@	30
Porto Rico, in barrels	@	32½
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14@	15
Syrup, in barrels	15@	25
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	2 95@	3 00
PORK, ℔ barrel—		
City Mess	11 75@	12 00
Rump	11 50@	12 00
Prime	11 00@	11 50
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10@	12
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum	@	1 25
Liverpool	90@	95
American	85@	90
On 100 ℔ Sacks	@	60
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00@	6 50
Common	1 60@	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50@	2 75
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	@	5¾
Standard A	@	5¾
White Extra C	@	4¾
Extra C, Golden	@	4¼
C, Yellow	@	4¼
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3½@	
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead	@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	9 00@	10 00
SHINGLES, N. C. Cypress sawed		
℔ M 6x24 heart	7 50@	8 50
" Sap	5 00@	6 00
5x20 Heart	3 00@	3 50
" Sap	2 00@	2 50
6x24 Heart	5 00@	6 50
" Sap	5 00@	5 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔	@	6
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern	1 00@	2 00
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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 28

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.40 per barrel bid for strained and $1.45 bid for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.30 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $2.00 per barrel for hard, $3.25 for dip, and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine firm at 44@43½c; rosin firm at 90@95c; tar firm at $1.00; crude turpentine firm at $1.35 @2.40.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	9
Rosin	132
Tar	506
Crude turpentine	8

Receipts same day last year.—13 casks spirits turpentine, 515 bbls rosin, 234 bbls tar, 19 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 9c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	6 9-16 cts	℔ lb
Good ordinary	7 15 16	" "
Low middling	8 9-16	" "
Middling	9 -	" "
Good middling	9¾	" "

Same day last year middling firm at 6c.

Receipts—270 bales; same day last year, 295.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 70c. Extra prime, 75c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 77½@80c. Virginia—Prime, 50c; extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c.

CORN—Firm, 53 to 53½ cents per bushel for white.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tide-water) 85 cents; upland, 50@60 cents. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 10 to 11c per pound; shoulders, 7 to 8c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five-inch hearts and saps, $2.25 to 3.25; six-inch, $4.00 to 5.00; seven-inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.50 to 9.00 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 28.—Money on call was steady; actual transactions ranging from 2@2¼ per cent., last loan at 2¼ per cent., and closed offered at 2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4½@5½ per cent. Sterling exchange heavy, with actual business in bankers' bills at 486¾ for demand and 483¼ for sixty days. Posted rates 484@485 and 487½@488. Commercial bills 482¾ @483½. Silver certificates 59¾@ 60¾. Bar silver 59¾. Mexican dollars 47¾. Government bonds irregular. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds firm. U. S. 2's, reg'd, 103; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 111¼; do. coupon, 111¼; U. S. new 4's, reg'd, 137½; do. coupon, 137½; U. S. old 4's, reg'd, 116¼; do. coupon, 117½; U. S. 5's, reg'd 115½; do. coupon, 115¼; N. C. 6's 127 b; do. 4's, 105 b; Southern R'y 5's 108¼. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 62¾; Chesapeake & Ohio 28¾; Manhattan L 94½; New York Central 133¾; Reading 18¾; do. 1st prefer'd 59¾; St. Paul 122⅞; do. preferred 171; Southern Railway 13⅞; do. preferred 58⅞; American Tobacco, 107⅝; do. preferred 135½; People's Gas 100⅜; Sugar 107½; do. preferred 108; T. C. & Iron 93¾; U. S. Leather 11¼; do. preferred 70¾; Western Union 88.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 28.—Rosin quiet. Spirits turpentine quiet.

CHARLESTON, February 28.—Spirits turpentine firm at 53c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — barrels. Prices unchanged.

SAVANNAH, February 28—Spirits turpentine firm at 53c; sales — casks; receipts 118 casks; exports 2,998 casks. Rosin quiet; sales — barrels; receipts 1,609 barrels; exports 4,812 barrels. Prices unchanged.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 28.—Excitement at the Cotton Exchange ran high again to day. At one time prices showed a net rise of eighteen and thirty-nine points after the market had opened three to seven points higher. The early cables were disappointing and the local contingent was a little inclined to sell, until it became apparent that the speculative public was still on the buying hand with a limitless capacity for absorbing cotton. European orders were particularly heavy, although the demand was general. A feature of the local buying was the business of a Wall street concern which bought enormously with apparently a limitless and special demand for August contracts. This concern was a heavy seller yesterday and had changed front so many times lately that the local traders were puzzled as to the actual relations of the house in the market at the present time. There is said to be a large short interest in March cotton. The local traders are nervous, and while more or less out of sympathy with any further advance at the present time, remain afraid to short the market, fearing manipulation and the effects of renewed speculative buying by the public bull interests with the statistical position still exceptionally strong, except for large receipts. Talk of increased acreage and heavy fertilizer purchases was a factor which held the new crop positions in check. The excitement increased as the session advanced just, before the close, however, there was a period of reaction under enormous realizing, which caused a sharp decline from the top. The market finally closed easy and irregular at a net advance of fourteen to twenty-four points, The sales of the day are estimated at one million bales, this being the largest business with a few exceptions, in the history of the cotton market.

NEW YORK, February 28.—Cotton steady; middling uplands 9 5 16c.

Cotton futures closed easy: March 9.08, April 9.06, May 9.09, June 9.09, July 9.10, August 9.04, September 8.36, October 7.96, November 7.86, December 7.87, January 7.88.

Spot cotton closed steady and ¼c higher; middling uplands 9 5 16c; middling gulf 9 9-16c; sales 1,125 bales.

Net receipts 785 bales; gross receipts 4,181 bales; exports to the Continent 4,178 bales; stock 129,604 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 35,317 bales; exports to Great Britain 6,928 bales; exports to France 6,311 bales; exports to the Continent 20,868 bales; stock 948,232 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 131,225 bales; exports to Great Britain 95,728 bales; exports to France 17,405 bales; exports to the Continent 948,232 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 5,448,847 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,577,227 bales; exports to France 587,930 bales; exports to the Continent 1,798,831 bales.

Feb. 28.—Galveston, firm at 8 13-16c, net receipts 6,513 bales; Norfolk, firm at 9¼, net receipts 2,053 bales; Baltimore, firm at 9 5 16c, net receipts 1,300 bales; Boston, dull at 9 3 16c, net receipts 1,302 bales; Wilmington, quiet and steady at 8¾, net receipts 270 bales; Philadelphia, firm at 9 9 16, net receipts 126 bales; Savannah, steady at 8 15 16c, net receipts 2,708 bales; New Orleans, steady at 9c, net receipts 19,374 bales; Mobile, nominal at 8¾c, net receipts 101 bales; Memphis, firm at 8¾c, net receipts 416 bales; Augusta, firm at 9¾c, net receipts 645 bales; Charleston, quiet and nominal at 8¾c, net receipts 885 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 28.—Flour was more active on spring patents at the decline, but quiet and about unchanged otherwise; Minnesota patents $3 75@3 95. Wheat—Spot weak; No. 2 red 73¼c; options opened easy on heavy snows in the Northwest, and after a slight rally on steady cables, declined rapidly under liquidation, small export interest and a liberal Western movement. The close was weak and heavy at ½@1c net decline. March closed 75½c; May closed 71⅝c; July closed 71⅝c. Corn—Spot easy; No. 2 41¾c; options opened easy with wheat but held steady most of the day on light country acceptances, absence of pressure and a moderate demand from shorts. Closed quiet and easy with wheat at ½@¾c net decline. Quotations were: May closed 40¼c; July 40¼. Oats—Spot dull; No. 2, 29c. options quiet and easy. Lard easy; refined quiet. Pork quiet; family $13 00 @13 50; short clear $12 00@13 25. Butter—Market strong but not quotably higher; Western creamery 19@ 24c; State dairy 18@22c. Eggs firm; State and Pennsylvania 15c at mark; Southern 13¼@14½c at mark. Cheese quoted firm; fall made fancy small 13c; fall made fancy large 13c. Potatoes quiet; New Jersey $1 25@ 1 62½; New York $1 50@1 87½; Long Island $1 50@2 00; Jersey sweets $2 25 @2 75. Freights to Liverpool quiet and firm. Rice steady. Petroleum firm. Cabbage steady; Long Island $4 00@6 00 per 100. Molasses steady. Peanuts steady. Cotton seed oil quiet and easier, with sales of a jobbing character and including 100 barrels. Prime crude, in barrels, 33½@34; prime summer yellow 37c; off summer yellow nominal; butter grades 38 @39c, nominal; prime winter yellow 39@40c; prime white 39@40c; prime meal $24 00@25 00. Coffee—Spot Rio nominal; No. 7 invoice 8¾c; No. 7 jobbing 9c; mild quiet; Cordova 9½@16c. Sugar—Raw weak and lower to sell; fair refining 3 13 16c; centrifugal 4 5 16; molasses sugar 3⅝c; refined steady.

CHICAGO, February 28.—The board market was quiet to day. The heavy snowfall was a bearish influence in wheat. May corn and May oats closed each a shade down. May closed 15c depressed (?) May lard 2½@5c clower, and May ribs 5c down.

CHICAGO, Feb. 28.—Cash quotations: Flour dull. Wheat—No. 2 spring—; No. 3 spring 62½@63c; No. 2 red 66¾@ 68¼c. Corn—No. 2, 33¾@33¾c. Oats—No. 2 23@24c; No. 2 white —c; No. 3 white 24¾@25¾c. Pork, per barrel, $9 60@10 55. Lard, per 100 lbs. $5 55@5 70 Short rib sides, loose, $5 65@5 90 Dry salted shoulders, $6 25@6 50. Short clear sides, boxed, $5 85@5 95. Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 23½.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 February 63⅞, 63⅞, 63¾, 63¾c; May 65⅞@66, 66½, 65¼, 65½@65¾; July 66¾@66⅞, 66⅞, 66, 66@66½c. Corn—No. 2 February 33¾, 33¾, 33¼, 33¾; May 35, 35⅛, 34¾@35, 34¾c; July 35⅛, 35⅛@35¼, 35, 35. Oats—May 23½, 23⅝, 23¼, 23⅝; July 22¾, 22¾, 22¼@22¾, 22¼@22¾. Pork, per bbl—May $10 70, 10 70, 10 50, 10 55; July $10

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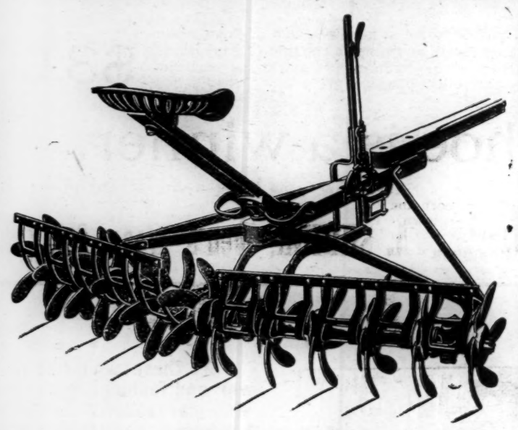

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Train 18—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A. M. Arrives Laurinburg 8:46 A. M., Maxton 9:06 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12:05 noon.

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Train 402—Leaves Rutherfordton 4:40 P. M. Arrives Shelby 5:53 P. M. Lincolnton 6:56 P. M., Charlotte 8:20 P. M., Monroe 9:10 P. M.

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At the Close of Business Feb. 13th, 1900, Condensed from Report to Comptroller.

RESOURCES.

Loans		$ 912 231.20
Overdrafts		16 09
U. S. Bonds (at par 5's & 4's)		196,100.00
Banking House and Fixtures		10,000.00
Due from app'd res've ag'ts's	$ 86 493 66	
Due from other banks	187 288.71	
Cash on hand	109.54 .92	386,374 29
Total		$1,804 822.48

LIABILITIES.

Capital		$ 125,000.00
Surplus and undivided profits		100 583.81
Circulation		41,040.00
Deposits U. S Treas.	$150,875.00	
Deposits from Banks	286 67 95	
Deposits from individuals	766 650.79	
Certificates of Deposit	35,000.00	1,338,198 67
Total		$1,804 822 48

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Feb. 13 '98	Feb 13, '99.	Feb. 13, 1900
Total deposits	$954,000	$1,141,000	$1,288,000
Surplus and net profit	75 400	89,000	100 500
U.S. bonds at par	55,000	93,600	196,100

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FRONT ELEVATION.

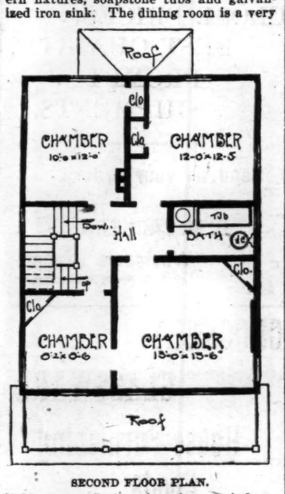
face the east, would give you the morning sun in the front rooms and a southern exposure for your dining room.

The subject of locating your house to suit the points of the compass is a very important one. Few people realize this. A house facing the east gives you the morning sun on your front piazza at a time when it is not in use, and in the afternoon, when you would like to occupy it, you find it shady and cool.

In planning a house there are a great many difficulties to contend with. You

FIRST FLOOR PLAN.

will notice the layout of the first floor. The hall is so arranged as to give access from the kitchen to the front door without passing through any of the rooms. The hall is large and can be furnished very nicely as a reception room. It has a closet in the right hand corner that can be used for umbrellas, rubbers, etc. The kitchen is a nice shaped room, being nearly square, and is fitted with all the modern fixtures, soapstone tubs and galvanized iron sink. The dining room is a very



SECOND FLOOR PLAN.

light room. It has four large windows and is separated from the parlor by sliding doors. The parlor also has four windows, making this floor very light and well ventilated.

The second floor has three chambers, a child's bedroom and a bathroom, all of which open on the hall, so that no two rooms are in connection with each other. The bathroom has a tile floor and tile walls, with open nickel plumbing. The attic has two rooms finished off and an unfinished room for storage. This house can be built for $2,000.

Failure of Contractor.

In estimating the damages sustained by reason of the failure of a contractor to complete a building according to the contract the evidence must be confined to the cost of making and completing the building according to the plans and specifications contained in the contract.—White Versus Sisters of Charity, 79 Ill. App., 646.

A Mechanic's Lien.

A mechanic's lien is superior to a lien of a mortgagee as to the increased value of the property due to improvements made by the lienor subsequent to the mortgage.—Christian-Craft Grocery Company Versus Kling, 25 So. Rep. (Ala.), 629.

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STAGE GLINTS.

Maxine Elliott is a full partner in all Nat Goodwin's business enterprises.

Rehearsals of "Die Meistersinger" by the Castle Square Opera company will begin in the early part of the season.

Josef Kahuz has retired from the Berlin stage and become the principal actor at the Hofburg in Vienna for a long term of years.

It is announced that in Weber and Fields' new burlesque, "The Whirligig," Lillian Russell will play the part of a frisky, capering French girl of 20.

W. M. Gray has secured the rights of "The Runaway Girl," and Arthur Rehan will have control of "The Great Ruby." Both plays will be put on the road the coming season.

St. Petersburg has a theater for children, in which the plays are given by juvenile actors and deal with childish subjects. The theater is a small one, adapted only to receive children of tender years.

The rumor that Al Hayman and Will J. Davis are going to have a new Chicago theater shortly has been revived in New York. The denial of Manager Davis still holds good, although resolutions have been known to change.

Charles Frohman has engaged Sidney Herbert for the Empire theater stock company next season. He will make his first appearance with that organization when it returns to the Empire, after John Drew's engagement there.

WENT UNDER A LADDER.

And Superstition Only Became More Deeply Rooted In Him.

A local newspaper man forgot his usual caution the other day and walked under a ladder. He couldn't very well avoid walking under the ladder, because it slanted directly across the way. Ordinarily, he goes around ladders or climbs over them or waits for the ladder man to come back and take the ladder down.

This time he walked under it.

Nothing happened out of the common for an hour or two.

Then somebody stole his umbrella and he had to walk to the car in the rain.

When he stepped off the car, he didn't notice that there was a second step, and so got a decidedly unpleasant stumble and jar.

He hadn't been home but a few minutes before he broke a handsome table ornament that his wife valued highly.

Then he began to think of the ladder incident.

Later in the evening he was persuaded to drink a glass of cider that was just in the act of "working." It was nice.

He went to bed at 10 o'clock, principally to avoid getting into more mischief, and was awakened by a most excruciating pain in his midst. It was that nice cider, which had evidently kept right on working. It was an awful pain, and it didn't let up for a full half hour.

Then the victim fell into a troubled sleep, from which he was suddenly awakened by a mysterious sound coming apparently from the front door. He listened so hard that he grew numb. The noise continued. Burglars were evidently at work cutting a panel from the front door.

He slipped out of bed and swiftly pattered down the stairs. His heavy cane was in the corner of the hall. He seized it, noiselessly turned the lock and flung the door open.

Darkness there and nothing more!

Then he went back to bed and had a chill that lasted an hour. In the morning he awoke feeling like a boiled owl with insomnia.

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A Farm of 250 acres four miles from Greenville, one mile from House station on the Atlantic Coast Line. One hundred and eighty-five acres cleared and in fine state of cultivation. One nice two-story dwelling with six rooms. One cook room and kitchen. One office. One set two-story stables with eight stalls. Two barns. Two tobacco barns. One 16-horse power engine, gin house, gin, press, etc. All necessary machinery attached. All kinds of farming implements, including wagons, carts, tools, etc. Also, four mules and one horse. Will sell all together or the land separate.

Farm of 143 Acres

in Long Creek village, Pender county—35 acres cleared, balance well timbered. Four acres in strawberries, 2 acres in apple trees. Fine grape vine. Large two-story house. One good New Store House. All necessary out houses. Two tenant houses. Two miles from Montague, a station on Atlantic and Yadkin Railroad; sixteen miles from Wilmington. Fertile land, in a high state of cultivation. A bargain for somebody.

2,000 Acres of Land

in New Hanover county on navigable stream; borders tide water. Three clearings on place—one of 25 acres with house and outbuildings on same; two of 30 acres each; balance well timbered. Twelve miles from Wilmington. Four miles from Castle Hayne, a station on the W. & W. R. R. The nearest point of the land to the Newbern railroad is two miles.

House in Kenansville.

One valuable six-room house in Kenansville, Duplin county, N. C., just completed. Known as "Birchwood Cottage," with nice office on lot; also, garden and outbuildings. Located in a desirable part of the town. Kenansville is a pleasant town to live in—famed for its pure spring water and healthy locality. James Sprunt Institute, one of the best schools in the State, is located there.

Fifty Acres of Land

One-half mile from South Washington, on the W. & W. R. R., in Pender county. Borders on county roads. Very valuable for trucking.

Property in Burgaw.

Four good Building Lots in the town of Burgaw, consisting of one-half acre each.

One neat three-room House in town of Burgaw, on lot consisting of one and one-half acres. All set out in strawberries except garden and yard.

A desirable building lot in the town of Burgaw, consisting of one-fourth of an acre, fronting railroad, and it is a corner lot.

Farm at Burgaw.

A desirable farm at Burgaw. The residence and about one-third of the farm within the corporate limits of the town. About twenty acres cleared; six acres in strawberries; one acre in fruit trees and grape vines. All necessary outbuildings. A nice desirable six-room residence. Farm contains 100 acres.

Tobacco and Truck Farm

Containing 265 acres, four miles from Magnolia, N. C., in the great truck belt. About seventy acres cleared; thirty acres of black branch land well timbered with curly yellow pine. Fine meadow land and best range for hogs, sheep and cattle. Five-room dwelling, with barn, stables and other out-houses. Nearly a half-acre in prolific grape vines. Lot of apple and plum trees. Beautiful oak and hickory grove surrounds dwelling. Good water. Admirably adapted to tobacco culture, and now has eight acres in cultivation. Also, two tobacco barns. Fences and ditches in good condition.

A Nice Farm.

A desirable farm of one hundred and fifty acres. Fifty acres is within the corporate limits of the town of Burgaw, N. C. Twenty two acres cleared. There is one nice, new three-room cottage, painted and plastered. Large stables and barns. A tenant's house, and strawberry packing house. A well of very fine drinking water. A nice orchard of 50 young fruit trees, consisting of Japan pluma, peaches, pears, apples and figs.

A Real Bargain.

A desirable farm of 272 acres, three miles east of Rose Hill. Fifty acres cleared and in good state of cultivation, balance well timbered. Four-room house on premises. In good neighborhood. Will exchange for desirable house and lot in Wilmington.

Farm Near Ashton.

One hundred and fifty acres two miles from Ashton, four miles from Burgaw. Four acres cleared, most of which is very fertile low land. Balance well timbered for farming purposes. Two tenant houses.

For terms, &c., address,

R. G. GRADY & CO.,
Burgaw, N. C.

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ATLANTIC & YADKIN RAILWAY.

Schedule in Effect March 26th, 1899.

South Bound Daily No. 52.	MAIN LINE.	North Bound Daily No. 53.
6 50 p m	Ar.....Wilmington.....Lv	9 00 a m
3 50 p m	Lv.....Fayetteville.....Ar	12 05 a m
3 45 p m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	12 25 p m
3 30 p m	Lv.....Sanford.....Lv	1 43 p m
12 49 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Lv	3 44 p m
12 13 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	4 15 p m
11 55 a m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	4 30 p m
11 07 a m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	5 12 p m
10 36 a m	Lv.....Walnut Cove.....Lv	5 44 p m
10 09 a m	Lv.....Rural Hall.....Lv	6 13 p m
8 45 a m	Lv.....Mt. Airy.....Ar	7 35 p m

South Bound Daily No. 64.	BENNETTSVILLE.	North Bound Daily No. 65.
8 00 a m	Lv.....Bennettsville.....Ar	7 15 p m
9 07 a m	Lv.....Maxton.....Lv	6 15 p m
9 35 a m	Lv.....Red Springs.....Lv	5 35 p m
10 20 a m	Lv.....Hope Mills.....Lv	4 52 p m
10 40 a m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	4 33 p m

South Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday. No. 46.	MADISON BRANCH.	North Bound Mixed Daily ex Sunday. No. 47.
3 30 p m	Ar.....Ramseur.....Lv	6 40 a m
3 50 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Ar	6 25 a m
2 40 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	9 17 a m
2 30 p m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	9 35 a m
1 15 p m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	11 07 a m
12 30 p m	Lv.....Madison.....Ar	11 55 a m

Connections at Fayetteville with Atlantic Coast Line, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad, at Greensboro with the Southern Railway Company, at Walnut Cove with the Norfolk and Western Railway.

J. R. KENLY, General Manager.
T. M. EMERSON, Traffic Manager.
H. M. EMERSON, Gen'l Passenger Agt.
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Statement of Condition of THE

Murchison National Bank

OF WILMINGTON, N. C.

At the close of business February 13th, 1900, (Began business March 1st, 1899.)

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	$287,544.36
Stocks and bonds	5,125.00
U. S. bonds	113 000 00
Premium on U. S. bonds	3,600 00
Five per cent. redmption fund	2,700.00
Revenue stamps	386.00
Office furniture	750.00
Cash on hand and in banks	211,766 53
Total	$630,821.89

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock	$ 50 000.00
Profits less expenses	18,611.36
Circulation	54,80 .00
Deposits	357,410.51
Total	$630,821.89

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We can furnish you every accommodation consistent with safe Banking.

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Schedule in Effect Jan. 14, 1900.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND.

DAILY 9.45 A. M. No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.16 A. M., Warsaw 11.50 A. M., Goldsboro 12.21 P. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.58 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Weldon 4.30 P. M., Petersburg 6.18 P. M., Richmond 7.25 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.20 P. M., Baltimore 1.03 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 8.00 P. M.

DAILY 6.50 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.20 P. M., Warsaw 8.33 P. M., Goldsboro 9.27 P. M., Wilson 10.20 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.11 P. M. Weldon 1.04 A. M., †Norfolk 10.25 A. M., Petersburg 2.37 A. M., Richmond 3.23 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.20 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M. New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 3.25 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.38 P. M. Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M. Sumter 8.37 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 6.19 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.05 P.M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.00 P. M., New York †3.30 P. M., Philadelphia 12.20 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M. Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 7.05 A. M., Petersburg 9.48 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.58 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.30 P. M., Warsaw 4.22 P. M., Magnolia 4.35 P. M.

DAILY 9.40 A. M. No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.00 A. M., Philadelphia 11.33 A. M., Baltimore 1.46 P. M., Washington 3.07 P. M., Richmond 6.48 P. M., Petersburg 7.21 P. M., †Norfolk 2.30 P. M., Weldon 6.53, P. M., †Tarboro 5.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.20 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.05 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 7.15 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.35 A. M., Marion 10.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.35 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.06 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 6.40 A. M. No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.30 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 3.41 P. M., leave Fayetteville 3.46 P. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.15 A. M. Maxton 9.30 A. M., Red Springs 9.53 A. M., Hope Mills 10.42 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 10.55 A. M. Returning leave Fayetteville 4.40 P. M., Hope Mills 4.55 P. M., Red Springs 5.35 P. M., Maxton 6.15 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leave Rocky Mount 7.00 A. M., arrive Weldon 9.05 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 A. M., arrive Richmond 11.05 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.06 P. M., Greenville 6.37 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.16 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 3.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11 00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 9.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.35 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 10 00 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 11.10 A. M., 4.05 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.35 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.30 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Nashville 12.15 A. M.; 5.35 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.02 A. M., arrive Latta 10.24 A. M., Dillon 10.35 A. M., Rowland 10.54 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.30 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A. M. Chadbourn 11.50 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 3.18 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 11.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.35 A. M.; 5.55 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 12.55 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.20 P. M., Bennettsville 9.17 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.30 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.05 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.00 A. M. Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.00 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.00 A. M., Darlington 8.20 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.58 P. M., 10.25 P. M., arrive Selma 2.48 P. M. 11.10 P. M., Smithfield 3.09 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.25 P. M., 12.17 A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M. returning leave Rowland 10.58 A. M., Fayetteville 12.20 P. M., 9.55 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.54 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.35 P. M., 11.31 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.25 A. M., Creston 5.19 A. M., arrive Denmark 6.12 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.15 P. M., Sumter 6.03 P. M. Daily.

Trains leave Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning, leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 2.10 P. M., arrive Elliotts 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

†Daily except Sunday. *Sunday only.

H. M. EMERSON,
Gen'l Passenger Agent.
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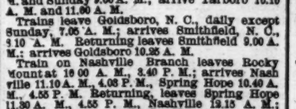
Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 9.



To Take Effect Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1899, at 9 A. M.

3 Pass'g'r Trains GOING EAST. Arrive	Leave	STATIONS.	4 Pass'g'r Trains GOING WEST. Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro.....	11 05	.....
.....	4 32	Kinston.....	10 12	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern.....	8 27	9 00
7 02	7 07	Morehead City.	7 02	7 27
P.M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 3.00 P. M. and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.30 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 1.

GEN. BULLER'S MOVEMENTS.

Pieters' Hill, the Boers' Main Position on the Tugela, Assaulted and Captured by the British.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, February 28.—The War Office has received the following from General Buller:

"*Headquarters, Hlandwani*, February 28, 5 A. M.—Finding that the passage of the Langewacht's Spruit was commanded by strong entrenchments I reconnoitred for another passage of the Tugela. One was found for me below the cataract by Colonel Sandbach, Royal Engineers, on February 25th. We commenced making approach thereto and on February 26th, finding that I could make the passage practicable, I crossed the guns and baggage back to the south side of the Tugela, took up the pontoon bridge on Monday night and relaid it at the new site which is just below the point marked "cataract." During all this time the troops had been scattered crouching under hastily constructed small stone shelters and exposed to a galling shell and rifle fire, and throughout they maintained the most excellent spirits. Tuesday, General Barton with two battalions of the Sixth brigade and the Dublin fusiliers crept about a mile and a half down the banks of the river and ascending an almost precipice cliff of about five hundred feet, assaulted and carried the top of Pieter's hill. This hill, to a certain extent, turned the enemy's left and the Fourth brigade, under Colonel Norcott, and the Fourth brigade, Colonel Kitchener commanding, the whole under command of General Warren, assaulted the enemy's position, which was magnificently carried by the South Lancashire regiment about sunset. We took about sixty prisoners and scattered the enemy in all directions. There seems to be still a considerable body of them left on and under Bulwana mountain. Our losses, I hope, are not large. They certainly are much less than they would have been were it not for the admirable manner in which the artillery was served, especially the guns manned by the Royal Naval force and the Natal Naval volunteers."

DISASTERS TO SHIPPING.

Schooner Ephraim and Anna Going to Pieces—Steamer in Distress.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., Feb. 28.—Captain W. H. French and crew of twenty-five wreckers left here this morning for the eastern shore to save the cargo of lumber carried by the schooner Ephraim and Anna, now going to pieces at Cape Charles. Five thousand feet of lumber has been washed from the schooner, but it is thought the 190,000 feet remaining can be saved.

The revenue cutter Onondago which has been searching for the Spanish steamer Minerva, which is somewhere at sea without coal, passed in the capes to day, but immediately went out again. The Minerva was found at sea by the British steamship Parana which, after towing the Spanish ship for some distance was forced by stormy weather to abandon her. The Minerva was bound to Baltimore with iron ore.

NEW YORK, February 28.—The Morgan Line steamer El Paso, from New Orleans, has arrived here, having on board Captain E. H. Somers and seven men rescued Monday off Frying Pan lightship from the sinking schooner Sarah E. Ward, of Philadelphia, bound from Charleston, S. C., for New York. The schooner left Charleston last Friday and encountered fearful gales and enormous seas that nearly washed all hands overboard. The crew spent Sunday night in bitter cold in the rigging and were taken off Monday morning.

NEW YORK COTTON EXCHANGE.

Wildly Excited—Sales About 1,000,000 Bales—The Advance in Prices.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 28.—The wildest excitement on the Cotton Exchange in recent years prevailed to-day, transactions reaching the enormous total of about one million bales. The shorts were nothing less than furious to cover. At times so intense was the excitement brokers would be offering to buy cotton at two to three points above the price at which others were offering to sell it. While the demand was general and largely from European sources, the features of the local market was the insatiable demand from a Wall street concern reputed to be heavily short of March contracts and also reputed to have been a heavy seller yesterday, in keeping with a large number of bearish dispatches which they sent forth yesterday. This concern bought enormous quantities of cotton, especially for August delivery. At the best point the market showed the unusual advance of eighteen and thirty nine points. The record of transactions overflowed the large board provided for their accommodations and an auxiliary board was provided to complete the record of the day's transactions. Just before the close there was a selling movement for profits and the market finished irregular and easy at a net advance of fourteen and twenty-four points.

BUBONIC PLAGUE.

Disease Has Appeared on an Island Off the Coast of Yucatan.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, February 28.—The Surgeon General of the Marine Hospital Service has been informed that the bubonic plague has appeared on the island of Cozunel, off the coast of Yucatan. It was brought there from Brazil. Quarantine officers in Mexico in the Gulf States and in Cuba and Porto Rico, have been directed to observe strict quarantine.

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THE TARIFF BILL FOR PORTO RICO.

A Sweeping Victory for the Republicans in the House of Representatives.

AFTER A VERY HARD FIGHT.

The Hawaiian Government Bill Considered in the Senate—McLaurin's Speech in Favor of Expansion. The Financial Bill.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, February 28.—Notwithstanding the agreement made by the Senate to vote on the Hawaiian government bill at to-day's session, the final vote on the measure was postponed until 4 o'clock to-morrow. Practically no progress was made on the bill to-day, although it was under consideration nearly four hours.

Mr. Aldrich explained the conference on the Financial bill. One of the amendments authorizing the gold reserve to be held in bullion as well as in gold coin was added, because the facilities for the coinage of gold would not at present admit of coining the gold in sufficient quantity to maintain at all times the reserve in gold coin. The provision prohibiting the use of bond proceeds to pay current government expenses was due to the apprehension of the House conferees that a so-called endless chain might be established. He said the authority to suspend the issue of certificates when United States notes and silver certificates in the general fund exceed sixty millions dollars, was simply another way of protecting the reserve, The issue first of silver certificates of small denominations was to avoid any possible contraction of the currency. The additional coinage of $20,000,000 of subsidiary silver was to meet expected later needs of our island possessions. The authority for banks to issue one-third of their circulating notes in denominations of five dollars was agreed to because banks in remote parts of the country needed a good deal of currency in small bills to accommodate customers.

Concerning the bimetallic amendment, Mr. Aldrich said the position taken by the United States was that bimetallism was now impossible except by international agreement.

The Philippine Question.

Mr. McLaurin, South Carolina, was then recognized to speak on the Philippine question. He said: "In the discussion of this question there has been manifested a disposition to ignore the conditions by which we are confronted and to project the debate upon a line of political sentimentalism. This mode of discussion is not only unpatriotic, but is an evasion of the true issue. This is not a political question.

Senator McLaurin strongly deprecated the position which the Democratic party had taken in making the Philippine question and expansion a political issue. He pointed to the past to show that some of the greatest Democrats who ever lived were expansionists and to prove by their acts and measures that if it had not been for them the United States would not have been the nation it is to-day.

He took the ground that the Philippines are rightfully and legally ours by the treaty of Paris and that the United States should hold them, affording the Filipinos every opportunity to acquire the art of government and giving them all the powers and rights possible in the circumstances. He dwelt particularly on the great opportunities afforded by the islands for trade between Americans and the nations of the Orient. He did not agree with some of his colleagues on the Democratic side that our trade in the East was a mere figment of the imagination. He quoted statistics to prove that the experience of the last decade contradicted those who asserted that our eastern trade was not of immense consequence.

"It is in the Orient," said he, "that we must look for markets. There must be a change in our policy. We must enter into competition for this trade. We must as a nation recognize changed conditions, and I believe that by holding the Philippines, our trade in the Orient will continue to increase until all surplus products for years to come will find remunerative markets in the East."

Mr. McLaurin then discussed the special interest of the South in the expansion of our trade. "I am glad," said he, "to believe that the Southern people have determined to investigate and study this question rather than to be led blindly by political anti-expansionists. The Southern farmer by the increased price received for raw cotton last year has become aroused. Fealty to party and misleading information, I fear, has produced among them opposition to territorial expansion.

"The effort has been made in my own State to suppress all information and arouse public sentiment against expansion. The frightful ghost of 'imperialism' has been held up before the people of the South to frighten them, but I believe it is impossible much longer to thus mislead them."

Senator McLaurin said, in sketching the progress of the South during the past twenty years, that the blight of negro suffrage and negro domination had almost extinguished hope and energy and manly effort, but like a giant bound with fetters she aroused herself at last and again started upon an era of industrial life.

"Capital has flowed into that section," said he. "There is confidence in all Southern enterprises. The bitter memories of the past are being forgotten in the rush for the development of our resources. Our people feel that they are again a part of this great country and are left free and untrammelled to work out their own destiny. Our Southern manufacturers have already reached out to the markets of the Orient and discovered their advantages. The Southern farmer needs such markets for his raw cotton to make its production remunerative.

"By the acquisition of the Philippines we hold the key to the Eastern situation. We need not rely solely upon treaty rights to secure the "open door," but can demand equal commercial opportunity with other nations, and if necessary, with the vantage ground we have, assert that demand. Will the United States throw away the golden opportunity by giving up the opportunities. I am in favor of holding them, and I believe the Southern farmers and manufacturers will sustain me in my position. I believe further that the presence of the United States and of its flag, the emblem of human freedom, progress and civilization, will carry to the millions in the Orient unnumbered blessings, which in the coming years will be for their betterment and amelioration and will conduce to the perpetuity and glory of our free institutions and the commercial supremacy of the nation.

The Hawaiian Bill.

Consideration of the Hawaiian government bill was resumed.

Mr. Allen made a general attack upon the bill. He declared that the Republican party was "actuated by a wild and unrestricted dream of power."

Mr. Teller, Colorado, offered an amendment to the section of the bill, providing judges who should have full jurisdiction over all national matters, except those relating to admirality. The discussion of this amendment continued for two hours and a half.

Senator Morgan, Alabama, in concluding a long speech, declared that he would prefer to see the bill defeated rather than to have it passed in its present crippled and emasculated form.

The bill went over and a final vote on the measure and amendment will be taken at 4 o'clock to-morrow.

The Senate at 6 P. M. adjourned.

House of Representatives.

WASHINGTON, February 28.—The battle royal over the Porto Rican tariff bill ended in the House to-day in a sweeping victory for the Republicans. The bill amended, as agreed upon at the conference of Republicans on Monday night, so as to reduce the tariff from 25 to 15 per cent. of the American tariff and limiting its life to ten years, was passed by a vote of 172 yeas to 161 nays. Six Republicans—Messrs. Crumpacker, of Indiana; Fletcher, of Minnesota; Heatwole, of Minnesota; Littlefield, of Maine; Lorimer, of Illinois, and McCall, of Massachusetts—voted with the opposition against the bill, and four Democrats—Messrs. Davey and Myer, of Louisiana; Devries, of California, and Sibley, of Pennsylvania, voted with the Republicans for the bill. In addition, Mr. Warner, Republican, of Illinois, was paired against the bill with Mr. Boutelle, Republican, of Maine, for it. Two other Republicans, Mr. Lane, of Iowa, and Mr. Faris, of Indiana, were absent and unpaired. They were understood to be against the bill. Four Democrats who were opposed to the bill, Messrs. Fleming, of Georgia; Small, of North Carolina; Smith, of Kentucky, and Stallings, of Alabama, were absent and unpaired. Other pairs for the bill were Messrs. Gibson, of Tennessee; Reeves, of Illinois; Boutelle, of Maine; Harmer, of Pennsylvania; Bailey, of Kansas; Sheldon, of Michigan, and Wadsworth, of New York, all Republicans, with Messrs. Tate, of Georgia; Sparkman, of Florida; Fox, of Mississippi; Bellamy, of North Carolina; Cox, of Tennessee, and Epes, of Virginia, Democrats, all against the bill. Herculean efforts had been made to get out the full vote and this led to some remarkable incidents.

Six men were brought from beds of sickness; two of them from hospitals. Mr. Brownlow, of Tennessee, was brought in a carriage accompanied by his wife and physician. He sat bundled up near the entrance until his vote was given and then withdrew. It was felt that the strain would be severe on him, but when Mr. Tawney, the Republican whip, urged that the bill might be lost by this one vote, Mr. Brownlow said: "I would rather lose my life than see this bill defeated."

Mr. Tawney and three assistants were out in carriages until midnight last night accounting for every vote, and Mr. Underwood, the Democratic whip, was similarly exerting every means to get out his vote. Three Democrats were brought from sick beds.

The first test to-day was on a substitute offered by Mr. McCall on behalf of the opposition. It was the original Payne bill for free trade with Porto Rico, and was defeated—160 to 174. Only five Republicans voted for the substitute.

Mr. Fletcher, Republican, Minnesota, who subsequently voted to recommit and against the bill, voted against the substitute. A motion to recommit it which followed, shared a similar fate, being lost—160 to 172.

There was great excitement through out the roll calls, which were followed with eager interest by thousands of spectators who packed the galleries to suffocation. The Republicans indulged in a demonstration of wild jubilation when the final result was announced Immediately after the reading of the journal the clerk began reading the bill for amendment under the five minute rule. When Section III was reached, Mr. Payne, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, offered the following substitute for this section:

"Section III. That on and after the passage of this act all merchandise coming into the United States from Porto Rico and coming into Porto Rico from the United States shall be entered at the several ports of entry upon payment of 15 per cent. of the duties which are required to be levied collected and paid upon like articles of merchandise imported from foreign countries; and, in addition thereto, upon articles of merchandise of Porto Rican manufacture coming into the United States and withdrawn for consumption or sale upon payment of a tax equal to the internal revenue tax imposed in the United States upon the like articles of merchandise of domestic manufacture; such tax to be paid by internal revenue stamps, or stamps to be purchased and provided by the commissioner of internal revenue and to be procured from the collector of internal revenue at or most convenient to the port of entry of said merchandise into the United States, and to be affixed under such regulations as the commissioner of internal revenue, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, shall prescribe; and on all articles of merchandise of United States manufacture coming into Porto Rico in addition to the duty above provided in payment of a tax equal in rate and amount to the internal revenue tax imposed in Porto Rico upon like articles of Porto Rican manufacture."

Mr. Payne explained that the substitute reduced the duty from twenty-five to fifteen per cent, and also removed some confusion regarding double taxation. Mr. Payne said he still believed, however, that twenty-five per cent. would be better. He said the amendment to the bill probably would raise about $1,250,000 per annum.

Mr. Berry, of Kentucky, said the amendment proposed petty instead of grand larceny of the people of Porto Rico. He ridiculed the laborious debate through which the House had passed over the question of what the "United States" meant under the constitution.

Mr. Dearmond, of Missouri, called attention to the peculiar language of the substitute. The words "coming into the United States," he said, were plainly intended to evade the constitution. But he argued that the "murdering of the Queen's English," and the "violation of the canons of the language" could not make it constitutional.

Mr. Grosvenor, Ohio, said that much of the opposition to the pending bill was due to the fact that it was misunderstood.

Mr. Otey, Virginia, convulsed the House and galleries by mimicking the mannerism of some of the Republican leaders, concluding with a parody upon the speech of Mr. Cannon, Illinois, yesterday.

The Payne amendment was adopted without division.

Many members on both sides of the House made brief five-minute speeches, explaining their positions.

Editor's Awful Plight.

F. M. Higgins, Editor Senea, (Ills.,) News, was afflicted for years with Piles that no doctor or remedy helped until he tried Bucklen's Arnica Salve. He writes two boxes wholly cured him. It's the surest pile cure on earth and the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25 cents. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY Druggist. †

SOUTH AFRICAN WAR SITUATION.

Gen. Buller's Movement for Relief of the Beleaguered Garrison at Ladysmith.

CAPTURE OF PIETERS' HILL.

Brings Relief Nearer But the Place is in Desperate Straits—General Roberts' Movements—Transport Difficulties Delay Operations.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, March 1, 4:15 a. m.—General Buller's distinct success in storming Pieters Hill brings the rescue of Ladysmith near, but the War Office intimated late yesterday evening that an immediate announcement of relief need not be expected. The going to and fro at midnight of officials and messengers suggested that important news had been received At his message reveals, General Buller's successful attack came after the hard fighting of Friday, and it was improvised and its execution begun during the armistice of Sunday. In proposing the armistice, the British commander stipulated that both sides should be free to move, but that neither should do any shooting. He was therefore within his privileges in immediately beginning to transfer his troops.

General Buller's tidings come weighted with his long list of casualties. His losses in the four attempts to get General White out aggregate four thousand.

Ladysmith in Desperate Straits.

Ladysmith is in desperate straits. Charles Williams, the military expert, says he learns on very high authority, presumably that of Lord Wolseley, that "General White's force is almost at its last gasp."

"This is not so much," says Mr Williams, "on account of any lack of provisions or of ammunition, neither of which is yet exhausted, as because of the poisonous nature of the Klip river water and the evil effects of heat. Even those who have escaped fever, dysentery and diarrhœa are in a state of low vitality. They can still man the trenches and would probably hold their own against a last desperate assault, but they can initiate nothing. General Buller knows that as units the regiments will be of no use to him for months. The water of the Klip river is not available for drinking, and to boil it is impossible because of the scarcity of fuel. It is thick with putrid animal matter. Tea made of it has a suspended fibre, something like beef tea. It is caused by the sewage from Boer camps."

Mr. Williams adds that when news like this passes under the thumb of the censor it more than offsets whatever jolly news may be heliographed from Ladysmith.

What Will Gen. Roberts Do?

There is no authoritative indication as yet of what Lord Roberts will do next. It seems likely that a branch railway will be built across the veldt to lessen the difficulties of transportation. Colonel Girourard, who built the Soudan railway, is with Lord Roberts. The strain on the Western railway is seen from the fact that the population of Kimberley, two weeks after the relief, continues on reduced rations. Lord Roberts' troops thus far have been partially fed only.

It is quite clear to technical heads that those who talk of an immediate and rapid advance far into the Free State do not realize the transport conditions. The Boers, as it now appears, have built a railway from Harrismith to Koomstadt to facilitate the movement of their troops between Natal and the Free State.

Mafeking was holding out on February 16th. At that time the Boers were showing unusual activity and firing inflammable shells.

The Boers who hold position south of the Orange river have been weakened.

Lieutenant Barentzen, writing on behalf of himself and other Scandinavian prisoners, affirms that there are no mercenaries in the Boer army, and no volunteers who receive a penny for their services.

Boer Prisoners.

LONDON, February 28, 8.08 P. M.—The War Office has received the following dispatch from Lord Roberts:

"*Paardeberg, February 28.*—Gen. Cronje, with his family, left yesterday in charge of Major General Prettyman, and under the escort of the City Imperial volunteers mounted infantry.

"Late in the day the remaining prisoners went in charge of the Earl of Erroll and escorted by the Gloucesters and a hundred Imperial volunteers. The women and children are being sent to their homes. I understand that great dissatisfaction was felt by the Boers at Cronje's refusal to accept my offer of safe conduct to the women and children and medical care for the wounded, 170 of whom are now in our hospital. Very many of them are in a terrible plight for want of care at an earlier stage.

"I inspected the Boers' laager yesterday and was much struck by the ingenuity and energy with which their positions were made almost impregnable to assault."

British Reoccupied Rensburg.

LONDON, February 28.—A dispatch from Arundel says that the British troops have again occupied Rensburg.

Lord Robert also cabled: "Rensburg was re-occupied yesterday by General Clements."

More About Cronje's Surrender,

PAARDEBURG, February 27, 1A8 P, —The British camp was awakened by the continued rattle of re fire at day break and the news arrived that the Canadians, while building a trench quite close to the enemy were fusiliated at a range of fifty yards. The Canadians gallantly worked forward and occupied the edge of the trenches along the river, entirely enfilading the Boers. This movement was followed by a cessation of the fire except an occasional solitary shot.

Suddenly a regiment stationed on the crest of a hill perceived a white flag and burst into cheers, thus first announcing the surrender of General Cronje.

Shortly afterward a note reached Lord Roberts, bringing tidings of the Boers' unconditional surrender; General Prettyman was sent to accept the surrender.

At about 7 o'clock a small group of men appeared in the distance crossing the plain towards headquarters. The latter being apprised of General Cronje's approach, Lord Roberts went to the front in the modest art in which he sleeps and ordered a guard of the seaforts to line up. A group of horsemen then approached. On General Prettyman's right rode an elderly man clad in a rough short overcoat, wide brimmed hat, ordinary tweed trousers and brown shoes. It was the redoubtable Cronje. His face was almost burned black and his curly beard was tinged with gray.

Lord Roberts walked to and fro in front of the cart until the Boer general arrived, when the British commander advanced gravely and kindly saluted the Boer commander. He then motioned General Cronje to a seat in a chair which had been brought for his accommodation and the two officers conversed through an interpreter. General Cronje afterwards breakfasted with the British officers, Cronje's face was absolutely impassive, exhibiting no sign of inner feelings.

Lord Roberts was surrounded by his staff when General Prettyman addressing the field marshall said: "Commandant Cronje, Sir."

The commandant touched his hat in salute and Lord Roberts saluted in return. The whole group then dismounted and Lord Roberts stepped forward and shook hands with the Boer commander.

"You made a gallant defence, Sir," was the first salutation of Lord Roberts to the vanquished Boer leader.

Armistice at Colenso.

COLENSO, February 28.—Yesterday an armistice was agreed upon and both sides removed their wounded and buried their dead. The Boers lost heavily in attacking, and many were killed among the trees. Severe musketry fire was resumed last evening. It was started by the accidental discharge of a rifle.

It is reported that there are four hundred Boers near Ennersdale.

TENEMENT HOUSE FIRE.

Three Children Lost Their Lives—Many Thrilling Rescues—A Woman Missing—The Building Destroyed.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 1.—A fierce fire broke out at midnight in a tenement at 1691 Third avenue. The police and firemen made many thrilling rescues, and after the fury of the flames had been spent the bodies of three children were found in the ruins. They are thought to be the children of Edward Friedman, who lived on the top floor of the building. Friedman's wife is missing. She is thought also to have been burned to death.

A dozen or more people were rescued in a semi conscious or unconscious condition. Policeman Thomas Tracey did valorous service, entering the burning building repeatedly, and finally dropping on the third floor overcome by smoke. His comrades carried him out unconscious, and he was sent to the Presbyterian hospital. He will recover. Another policeman carried out a five-year old boy who was found almost dead on the third floor.

The fire broke out in the basement of the building and the entire structure was destroyed.

The financial loss is about $25,000.

BRITISH CASUALTY LIST.

The Total So Far 12,834—Losses of the Scotch and Irish Regiments.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, February 28, 8:53 p. m.—The rapidly growing casualty lists are being classified as quickly as possible. They show that up to this morning the total number of casualties was 12,834, of which 2,319 were added during the last fortnight. Ten of the eleven Scotch regiments lost about 2,050 men and eight of the Irish regiments 3,000. Then come the Gloucesters and Northumberlands, while of nearly 200 Colonials the Royal Canadians lost 121 and the Victoria Mounted Contingent twenty-six The casualties are classified thus: Killed 1,193; wounded 6,838; missing 3,173; deceased 830.

VENEZUELA REPUBLIC.

An Unsuccessful Attempt to Assassinate President Castro.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

—CARACAS, VENEZUELA, February 28. —During the carnival procession yesterday a Venezuelan fired two shots at President Cripiano Castro without effect. The President was afterwards acclaimed by the populace. The city is quiet.

General Castro became President of Venezuela last October as a result of the successful revolution against President Andrade, who fled from the republic. But Castro was not recognized as President by the United States until November 20th, 1899. He is about 36 years of age; has been a strong supporter of the Liberal party.

NEW NAVAL STORES COMPANY.

The Southern Will Begin Business With a Capital of $300,000.

Savannah *News*: An order for the incorporation of the Southern Naval Stores Company was granted by Judge Falligant in the Superior Court yesterday, The incorporators are W. C. Powell, C. D. Baldwin, B. F. Bullard, Alexander Sessoms and W. V. Beach. The company is to begin business with a capital actually paid in of $300,000, divided into shares of $1,000 each, with permission to increase the capital stock in any amount not to exceed $2,000,000, and to decrease in any amount not less than $100,000.

While making a dash to escape, Lonnie Logan, one of the six men who on June 2d last robbed a Union Pacific train of $34,000 in cash near Rock Creek, Wyoming, was shot and killed by detectives who had tracked him from Cripple Creek.

The East Carolina Real Estate Agency has excellent facilities for selling farms and timbered lands. It advertises all property and makes only a nominal charge unless a sale is made. For terms etc., address R. G. Grady & Co., Burgaw, N. C.

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Best Cabinet Photographs—Carbonet finish for $3 00 per dozen, beginning Monday, February 26th, and ending March 10th. This offer is positively up at the time dated above, and then is only good with persons bringing this ad. Get in the rush at the Star Studio, 118 Market street. fe 24 tf

The Copartnership heretofore existing between A. P. Yopp and H. H. Helm, conducting a Bicycle business under name of Yopp & Helm, has this day been dissolved by mutual agreement, H. H. Helm purchasing the entire business and will hereafter conduct the same at the stand No 209 Market street. A. P. Yopp, H. H. Helm January 19th, 1900. fe 24 1m

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